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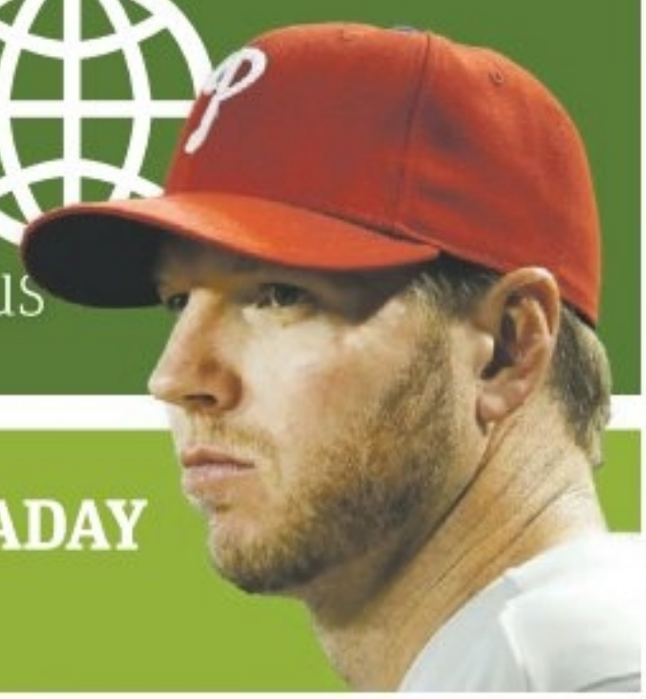

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MORGAN ROUSSEAU, MANAGING EDITOR

As the nation reels in the wake of Sunday's mass shooting at a rural Texas Baptist church, the debate over gun control rages on. Irate Americans are divided over whether to blame lax gun control laws or a mental health crisis. Metro World News looks at the issue, and asks: Are shootings in the U.S. a psychological problem or a legal one? Read more on pages 6-7, and visit **Metro.us** for thorough coverage of this issue.

RULES RESTRICT TRAVEL AND TRADE WITH CUBA

1 The U.S. government made it tougher on Wednesday for Americans to visit Cuba and do business in the country, making good on a pledge by President Donald Trump to roll back his Democratic predecessor's move toward warmer ties with Havana. The restrictions, which take effect on Thursday, are aimed at preventing the military, intelligence and security arms of Cuba's Communist government from benefiting from American tourists and trade, the White House said. They fill in the regulatory detail on a Trump policy speech in June, in which the Republican president called for a tightening of restrictions. He said then that the Cuban government continued to oppress its people and former President Barack Obama had made too many concessions in his 2014 diplomatic breakthrough with Washington's former Cold War foe.

UBER, NASA TO BUILD FLYING TAXI SOFTWARE

2 Uber is taking part in a joint industry and government push with NASA to develop software which the company aims to use to manage "flying taxi" routes that could work like ride-hailing services it has popularized on the ground. Uber said it was the first formal services contract by the U.S. National Aeronautical and Space Administration (NASA) covering low-altitude airspace rather than outer space. NASA has used such contracts to develop rockets since the late 1950s. Chief Product Officer Jeff Holden also said Uber would begin testing proposed four-passenger, 200 mph flying taxi services across Los Angeles in 2020, its second planned test market after Dallas/Fort Worth. Uber has faced regulatory and legal battles around the world since it launched taxi-hailing services earlier this decade.

CHINA VISIT

3 President Donald Trump and first lady Melania Trump and China's President Xi Jinping and his wife Peng Liyuan (partially obscured) look at an 18th century clock with lifting tower as they tour the Conservation Scientific Laboratory of the Forbidden City in Beijing on Wednesday.

5 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

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FORMER CEO APOLOGIZES FOR DATA BREACH

4 Former Yahoo Chief Executive Marissa Mayer apologized on Wednesday for two massive data breaches at the internet company, blaming Russian agents for at least one of them, at a hearing on the growing number of cyberattacks on major U.S. companies. "As CEO, these thefts occurred during my tenure, and I want to sincerely apologize to each and every one of our users," she told the Senate Commerce Committee, testifying alongside the interim and former CEOs of Equifax Inc. and a senior Verizon Communications Inc. executive. "Unfortunately, while all our measures helped Yahoo successfully defend against the barrage of attacks by both private and state-sponsored hackers, Russian agents intruded on our systems and stole our users' data."

NEW KEVIN SPACEY SEX ASSAULT ALLEGATIONS

5 Former Boston news anchor Heather Unruh said that disgraced actor Kevin Spacey sexually assaulted her teenage son in 2016 at a Nantucket restaurant. Unruh made the claims at a downtown Boston hotel alongside attorney Mitchell Garabedian, who is known for his representation of victims of the Catholic church sex abuse scandal. Unruh cried as she described the incident, which she said happened when her son was just 18 years old. "My son was a starstruck, straight, 18-year-old young man who had no idea that the famous actor was an alleged sexual predator, or that he was about to become his next victim," Unruh told media. Spacey, she said, bought "drink after drink after drink" for her son, getting him drunk. After that, Spacy allegedly put his hand down her son's pants and grabbed his genitals.

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'Hidden' no more: Philly's secrets revealed in new book

Phillyophiles behind Hidden City Philly blog publish new book.

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Philadelphians know the city's history goes deep. When condos are built or flames take buildings down, more often than not in Philly, it turns out on the site of a former factory that fed a community, an unmarked cemetery, or just privies stashed full of historic trash.

Hidden City Philadelphia has tapped into what that perspective has to offer for more than eight years. The popular local blog has combined news on land and buildings with a historical perspective and real educational events, reactivating shuttered historic gems through their festivals and tours exploring city neighborhoods.

Now, with a new book, "Philadelphia: Finding the Hidden City," published by Temple University Press on Nov. 3, co-author Nathaniel Popkin said they hope to share a portrait of a Philadelphia that has all the nuance and subtleties they see in the city.

"It is a living place that demands you understand how to read it and interpret it, and we hope that this book helps to do that," Popkin said.

Well, cool. And how do you do that, exactly?

"We peel back the layers that built up slowly over time," Popkin explained. "Think about the different kinds of layers that exist in the streetscape, the buildings, the institutions; think about this inherited urban form as a type of ruins, and think about the ways we live in ruins, or how the ruins are living. It's two ways of looking at Philadelphia."

The new book focuses on 33 sites around Philadelphia and includes essays by Popkin and Peter Woodall, interspersed with gorgeous black-and-white and color photography of city sights from Joe Elliott, from Disston Saw Works in Tacony to the century-old Metropolitan Opera House on North Broad that is now targeted for redevelopment as a music venue.

The authors' lens is definitely nostalgic, but they have no illusions about Philly being some sort of wonderland.

"Parts of the city are worn away by massive disinvestment. It's not only a little dead in certain places, but actually perversely unwelcoming," Popkin acknowledged.

But from the Hidden City perspective, structures that remain from Philly's years of hardship seem like a testament to the city's ability to endure,

"The economic collapse of the '60s and '70s left us with the not-

"[Philly is] like some forbidden Oriental city ... surrounded by its own impenetrable wall. [We] want to pierce through that barrier to expose the rich heritage inside."

Thomas Burt, describing Philly in the 1960s

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A large saw blade on a tooth cutting machine at Disston Saw Works.

Images like this, of a machine shop wall at Disston Saw Works, are included in "Philadelphia: Finding the Hidden City."

hidden remains of the boisterous, dirty, never-stop industrial urban metropolis that the city was," Popkin said. "It sort of left it there suspended, covered in dust, waiting for people to find it."

The concept of Philly's true identity being "hidden" is not a new one, he noted. Writer Thomas Burt described Philly in the 1960s as "like some forbidden Oriental city ... surrounded by its own impenetrable wall." He and his fellow authors want to pierce through that barrier to expose the rich heritage inside, he said.

"It has been forgotten, in the sense that it had been this muscular city of neon lights and 400 movie houses, probably the wettest city in America during prohibition with taprooms, and department stores and coffeehouses and union halls busy 24 hours a day with organizing and activity," Popkin said. "This wasn't just ye olde colonial city with some messed up post-industrial areas, but actually was a powerful, busy and loud place with all this machinery."

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A man delivers flowers to a memorial for victims of the mass shooting that killed 26 people in Sutherland Springs, Texas. GETTY IMAGES

Guns and mental health: Are shootings in the US a psychological problem?

Metro speaks with experts to learn more about the issue of access to guns in the country.

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Is gun violence a result of lax gun laws, or a mental health crisis? That's what the nation is debating after a deadly mass shooting at a Baptist church in Texas, in which 26 people lost their lives.

After the Nov. 5 massacre, President Donald Trump declared that gun ownership was not a factor and pointed to the mental health of the shooter.

"We have a lot of mental-health problems in our country, as do other countries, but this isn't a guns situation. … We could go into it, but it's a little bit soon to go into it. Fortunately, somebody else had a gun that was shooting in the opposite direction, otherwise it wouldn't have been as bad as it was, it would have been much worse," he stated.

Trump added: "This is a mental-health problem at the highest level. It's a very sad event."

Devin Patrick Kelley, a 26-year-old man wearing all-black tactical gear and a mask, carried out the attack using a semiautomatic weapon for which he did not have a permit.

Metro spoke with Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence Attorney Hannah Shearer about the U.S. epidemic of gun violence.

What part do gun laws play in the latest shootings in the U.S.?
The U.S. is experiencing a gun-violence crisis. Americans are 25 times more likely to be killed by a gun than people in other developed nations. It's apparent that America's weak gun laws have contributed to higher rates of violence because other countries do not experience the same number of large-scale gun massacres.

Could these events be prevented?
People shouldn't have to fear being shot and killed when they're going to church or attending a music festival. The example of other countries, where people don't live with this same type of fear, shows that tougher laws can prevent both gun massacres and everyday shootings. On the state level in the U.S., there is a clear correlation between stronger gun laws and lower rates of gun violence, as experts from my organization have observed in our annual Gun Law Scorecard. It is time for U.S. lawmakers to step up and support evidence-based solutions, like universal background checks, instead of treating gun massacres as inevitable.

How does mental illness relate to these attacks?
The U.S. has similar rates of mental illness to other developed countries, yet we experience far more firearm attacks. It's not an answer to say that we simply need to treat mental illness, because that only treats part of the problem. We also

Law-enforcement officials investigate the shooting at the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs on Nov. 7 in Sutherland Springs, Texas. GETTY IMAGES

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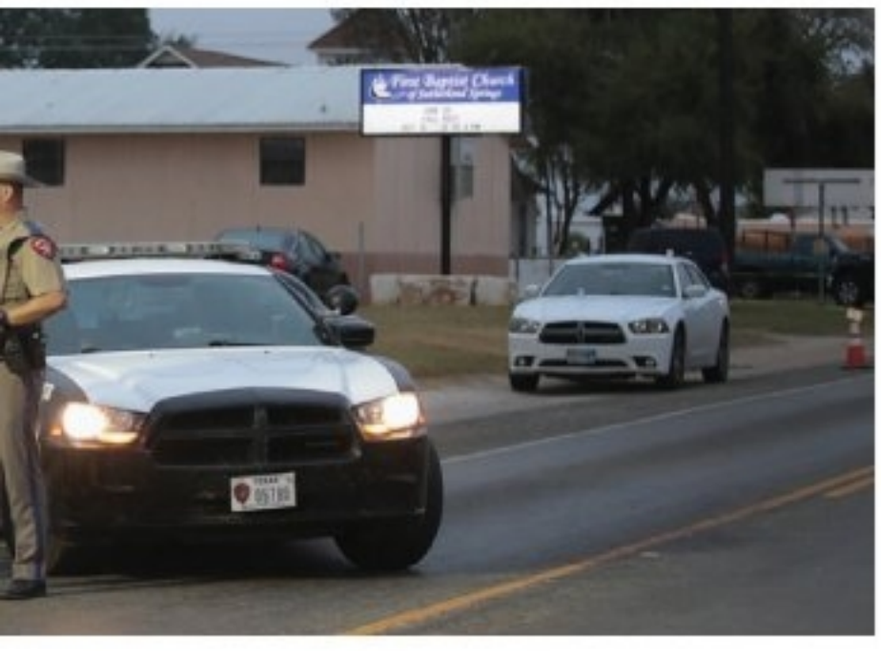
Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence attorney Hannah Shearer weighs in on the U.S. struggle with mass shootings. MWN

need to improve our gun laws to make sure that people who are in a mental health crisis cannot assemble arsenals of deadly weapons so quickly and easily.

But is it a problem of public health, as Trump suggests?
It is a public health crisis, but guns are the key piece of the crisis. Many proponents of relaxing gun laws in the U.S. say that if people intent on harming others can't use a firearm to carry out an attack, they'd use a truck or some other destructive weapon. Well, after deadly truck attack in New York, the city directed resources to putting protective concrete barriers around its bike lanes, as cities in Europe have done with bollards to try to protect people from that type of attack. Governments are supposed to take action to protect the public from violence, and firearm violence should be no different from any other.

Why, despite these attacks, doesn't the law change in the U.S.?
The U.S. has not improved its federal firearm laws because the corporate gun lobby has tried to make gun safety an off-limits subject for legislators. The gun lobby wants to perpetuate a narrative that gun violence is normal and can't be prevented. But the reality is that violence can be prevented, and over 90 percent of Americans support simple preventive policies like universal background checks. Hopefully, U.S. lawmakers will find the courage to stand up to the gun lobby and enact laws the majority of Americans are demanding.

What can be expected in the future?
Mass shootings in the U.S. are increasing in frequency and death tolls from these horrific events are rising. Since the Las Vegas shooting, 35 other mass shootings have occurred where 4 or more victims were shot. We shouldn't have to lose innocent lives to start the conversation about preventing gun violence, but we hope that the conversation that's been started will lead to progress in the form of better gun policies.



GUN VIOLENCE: A LEGAL AND POLITICAL PROBLEM

Access to weapons continues to be a point of controversy and debate in the U.S. Each year guns kill around 30,000 people in this country. That is 3.9 per hour. According to a survey conducted by the U.S.-based think tank Pew Research Center, 67 percent of Americans claim "personal defense" as the main reason to have weapons.

Experts believe the main reason for these shootings is easy access to firearms.

"Easy access to guns and very limited record keeping or barriers to gun ownership do play a role in the kinds of shootings we have seen," Robert Spitzer, professor of crime, law and policy and gun control at the State University of New York at Cortland, told Metro.

The barriers are seen by some in conflict with the Second Amendment to the Constitution, which protects the right of Americans to own weapons.

And while Spitzer says greater control over access to weapons does not guarantee that more attacks will not occur, it could reduce the deadly consequences.

"In some cases, the perpetrators have significant mental illness. But around 95 percent of those with mental illness are not dangerous to others, so it's easy to exaggerate impact," he added.

Spitzer said despite changes that can be made at the state level, national policies will not change.

"The national government right now is firmly in the hands of the pro-NRA party, which endorsed Trump early last year. And the Republican Party is very, very conservative these days, which coincides with the far-right leanings of the gun lobby. That hold on the majority party strangles the prospects of reform," Spitzer said.

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The Philadelphia Housing Authority (PHA) is requesting public comments and conducting a public hearing on the proposed Moving to Work Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2019 (Annual Plan) which includes Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Program Significant Amendments for proposed transfer of assistance developments. PHA is a participant in the Moving to Work (MTW) Program pursuant to an MTW Agreement between PHA and the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Annual Plan describes PHA's MTW proposed policy initiatives and activities for the period April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019. The comment period and public hearing will also provide the public with an opportunity to provide comments on proposed modifications to PHA's Public Housing Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP) and Housing Choice Voucher Program Administrative Plan (Administrative Plan).

The Annual Plan, ACOP and Administrative Plan are available for public review on PHA's website at www.pha.phila.gov under the "Latest News" section. The Annual Plan and a summary of proposed modifications to the ACOP and Administrative Plan may be picked up at the following locations:

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The public comment period begins on November 10, 2017 at 12 noon and ends on December 11, 2017 at 12 noon. Comments must be received by the end of the comment period. Please send written comments to:

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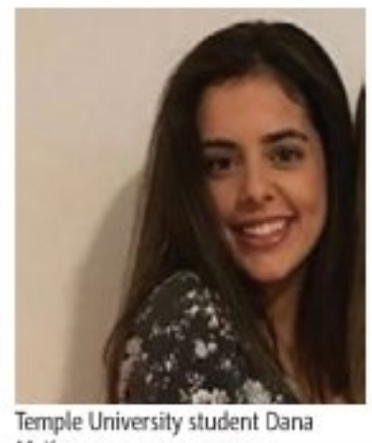

Temple University student Dana McKay. PROVIDED, DANA MCKAY

I'm from a Chicago suburb near the village of Crestwood, Illinois, where my family experienced the direct effects of a lapse in environmental protection by local officials to save money.

In 2009, it was discovered that one of Crestwood's water system's drinking-water wells was contaminated by perchloroethylene and vinyl chloride, dry-cleaning chemicals linked to cancer, liver damage and neurological damage. City officials reportedly knew about the contamination and still drew from the well for over two decades. My cousin, who was 7 years old at the time, was one of many people who got sick and fought for their lives as a result of drinking contaminated water.

Politicians ignoring environmental protection to slim down budgets at the expense of public health is far from a local problem. The U.S. Senate will soon vote on the Environmental Protection Agency's budget appropriation. President Trump wants a whopping 33 percent cut to the EPA, and it is a possibility that he will get it. If our representatives cut the EPA's budget, the consequences to our public health and safety will be catastrophic.

That's why I intern with Defend Our Future, a nonprofit, nonpartisan environmental advocacy club at Temple University. The organization, a project of the Environmental Defense Fund, works toward climate solutions and a clean energy economy.

I work with students to fight these dangerous budget cuts because if they are passed, the horror faced by my family may not be isolated to that small village in Illinois. We can fight to cultivate change right now by contacting our representatives and making our voices heard. Together, we can protect the EPA.

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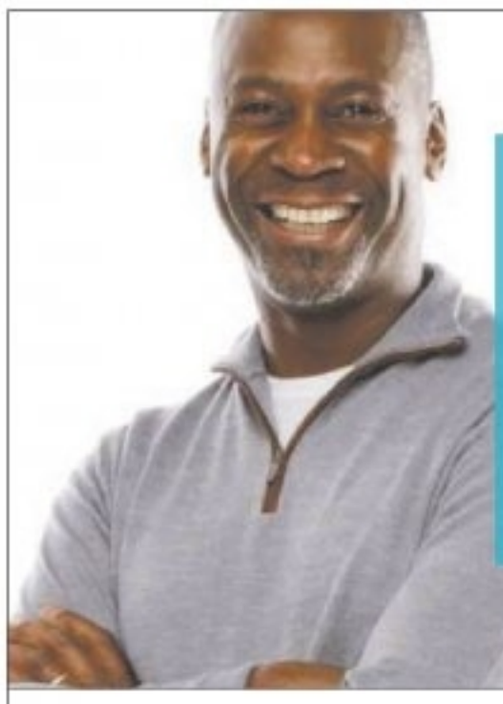

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Danica Roem becomes Virginia's first transgender woman to be elected to office

Virginia made history last night when Danica Roem became the first transgender woman to become an elected official.

Democratic candidate Danica Roem, 33, defeated Republican Robert G. Marshall and was elected as a member of the Virginia House of Delegates in the state's 13th District.

Marshall, 73, had served in the Virginia House of Delegates since 1992 and has referred to himself as Virginia's "chief homophobe." He spent most of his career fighting against the same rights Danica Roem stands for.

Marshall is the author of the now-voided constitutional amendment that defined marriage as between a man and a woman, and he was also responsible for proposing a bathroom bill to restrict public bathroom use by transgender people.

Roem dedicated her victory to anyone who has been discriminated against last night in her victory speech.

In 2013, Danica Roem, an LGBTQ rights advocate, came out as transgender. GETTY IMAGES

"To every person who's ever been singled out, who's ever been stigmatized, who's ever been the misfit, who's ever been the kid in the corner, who's ever needed someone to stand up for them when they didn't have a voice of their own," Roem said before a crowd of supporters. "This one is for you," she said.

According to The Washington Post, Roem had a very strong campaign and received more than $500,000 in donations from LGBT groups around the country.

In a Facebook post, Marshall thanked his supporters but did not congratulate Roem.

Roem, from northern Virginia, worked as a journalist. She attended St. Bonaventure University in New York where she majored in journalism. Roem later became a lead journalist for the Gainesville and Prince Williams Times in Virginia before turning to politics.

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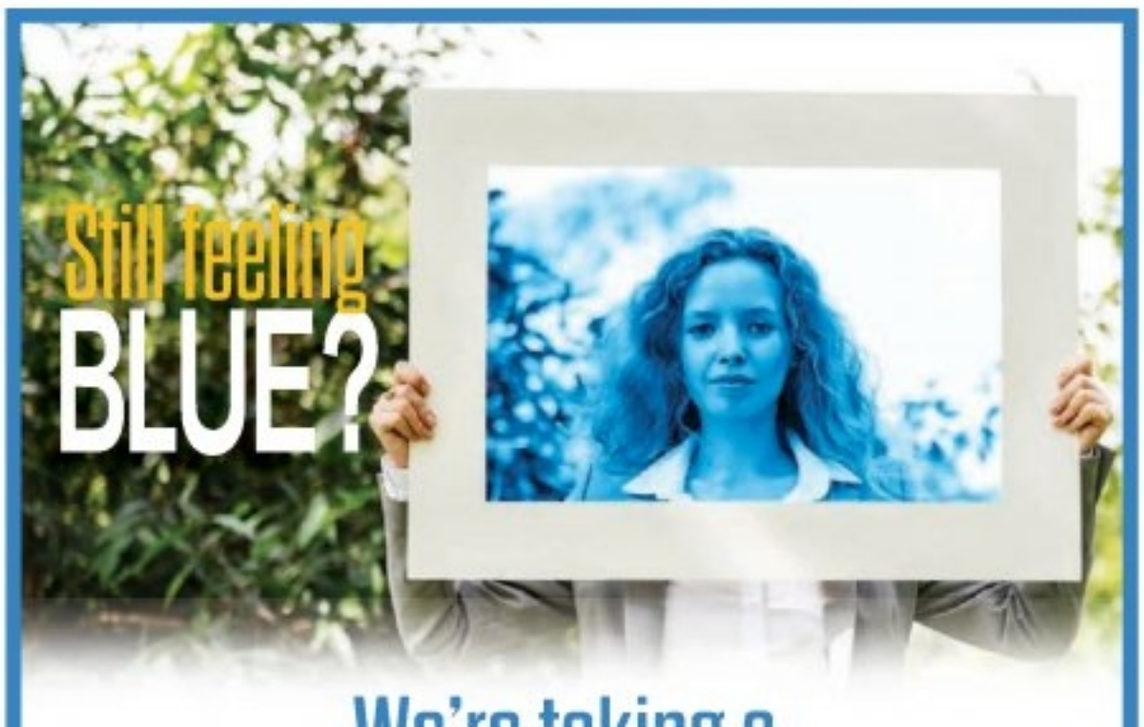

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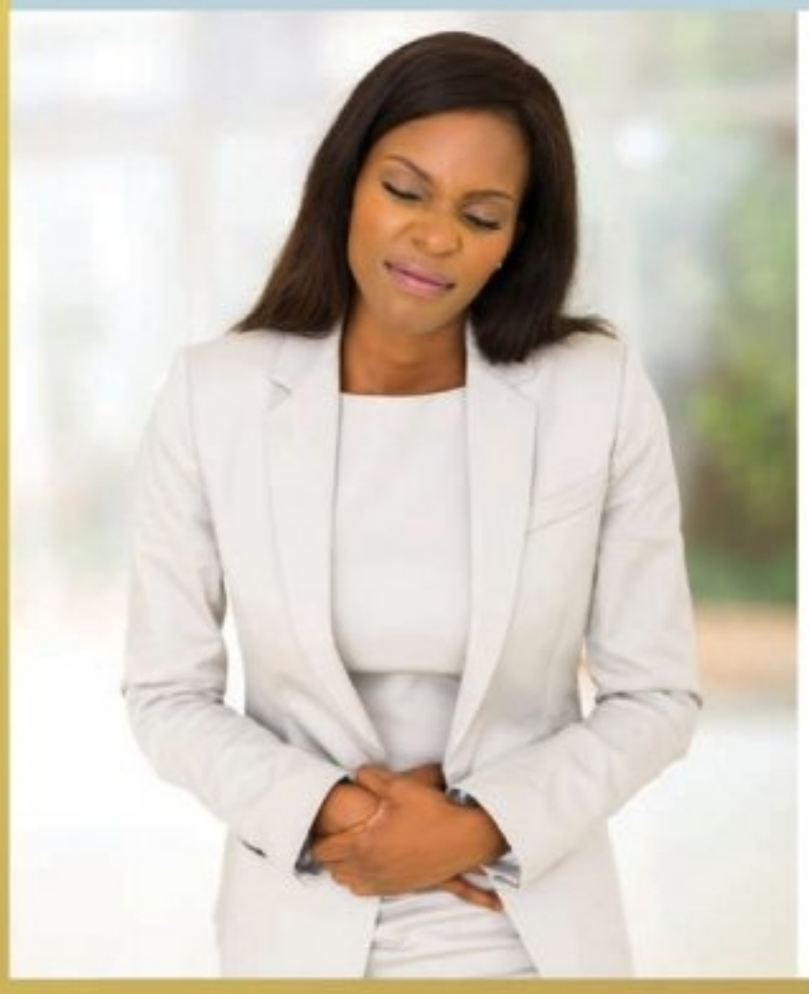

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WHY LOSING ROY HALLADAY HURTS SO DAMN MUCH

POINT OF VIEW

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Former Phillies pitcher Roy Halladay was killed in a plane crash on Tuesday afternoon. GETTY IMAGES

After nearly a day to process, thousands of beautiful words have already been written for Roy Halladay, the former Phillies and Blue Jays ace pitcher who shockingly died in a plane crash Tuesday.

In the wake of a devastating loss, one thought kept swirling around in my mind — how great he was.

I realized that greatness can't be quantified. What recently fallen heros Tom Petty, Fats Domino and even the passing of my own beloved grandmother have proven to me is that there is no predicting how large a void will be left when a person departs this earth until they actually do.

Nearly every MLB player, Philly sports personality and others took to Twitter to mourn the loss of Halladay and I am left saddened to think about all he gave to the city of Philadelphia.

My fondest Halladay memories weren't in the stands at a game, in the locker room as a reporter or even as a spectator on television during his 2010 Cy Young season. It was how his contributions to Philadelphia transcended sports. In the winter he was signed, I remember being absolutely overcome with excitement — that months after back-to-back World Series visits the Phillies were looking to keep it going by bringing in who most agree was the best pitcher of the era.

When Doc pitched his perfect game, I was at the beach in Georgia on vacation, a recent college graduate driving south because — well, I had no job so why not? I had almost no service following along on my phone and I walked up and down Tybee Island looking for a bar with the game on. Of course, a regular season Marlins-Phillies game was no where to be found down there so I watched SportsCenter on my hotel television over and over again for hours just to see the celebration after the last out.

His second no-hitter, the one against the Reds in his first-ever playoff game, came days before election day 2010 and I was stuck in my office working late. I remember watching the game in the conference room at work and wanting to run through the empty streets of Harrisburg screaming just as I did when Brad Lidge got the 27th out on Oct. 29, 2008.

Halladay was always there, even when he wasn't right in front of us. We knew he would be a Hall of Famer. We knew after his kids were in college he'd probably return to baseball and be an incredible coach, scout or commentator.

There is some solace in knowing he died doing what he loved — flying, his post-baseball obsession. But that does little to help.

He's not there anymore, and that's what hurts. We'll miss you, Doc.

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Kate Hudson denies those pesky Brad Pitt rumors

Remember those few, juicy weeks where we thought that Brad Pitt was rebounding from Angelina Jolie with Kate Hudson? Well, Hudson is finally opening up about it and if you were invested, gird your loins to be disappointed!

"That was the craziest rumor of all time," Hudson says on "Watch What Happens Live." "There's nothing true to that." Aw, man! The "Marshall" actress adds that she hasn't even seen Brad in, we quote, "like, four years."

Still, the 38-year-old admits that it's not the worst rumor to be caught up in. I mean, wouldn't we all want other people to think we're dating Brad Pitt? "It was kind of an awesome rumor. I kind of liked it."

It could have been so good for her brand, though.

Hudson is currently dating some dude named Danny Fujikawa now — you remember, the one with the ironic LinkedIn profile. So Brad Pitt, looks like that's another dream, dead. At least he'll always have Frank Ocean.

Will & Jada never even gave Tyrese money

It seemed like only yesterday that Tyrese Gibson was bragging on Instagram that Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith gave him $5 million to help him stay afloat during his ongoing custody battle, with the added agreement that Gibson would stay off the internet.

This is — how do you say? Ah, yes — a hot mess.
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Now, sources close to the Smith family say they never gave Tyrese money at all. And on Tuesday, Gibson admitted himself that he'd yet to receive the money, which perhaps explains why he is still doing the most on social media.

Sources tell TMZ that the Smiths have been friendly with Gibson for years and they're worried that the "Fast & The Furious" star is having some sort of breakdown. You don't say?

No word from Will or Jada yet — and we're not counting on it — but maybe Gibson *should* stay away from the internet. Just for his (and our) emotional wellbeing.

the word

Very young persons Chloe & Brooklyn are back on

Chloe Grace Moretz is gushing about her on-again boyfriend, Brooklyn Beckham. Also, did you know that she has a new film coming out?

The 20-year-old, who stars in Louis C.K.'s film "I Love You, Daddy" — no thanks! — opened up to Us Weekly about Beckham, saying stuff like, "We chose each other." OK!

Moretz and Beckham, 18, split most recently in August 2016, but they are back on in a major way. We're talking Instagram posts dedicated to each other type of way. Kids these days! "I think he's adorable," she continues. "[We] don't need much more than each other's company whenever we can grab it."

Moretz did forget to mention one thing, though. The one thing that was probably the whole point of this outing: "I Love You, Daddy" is out in theaters Nov. 17. You think she would have remembered that sign off!

This timing is not at all suspicious.

Ben Affleck is still leaning heavily on his estranged wife

Apparently, Ben Affleck was close to losing his grip — and hitting the bottle again — after this year's Emmy awards. Even girlfriend Lindsay Shookus couldn't help. But you know who could? His soon-to-be-ex-wife, Jennifer Garner.

At least, according to sources who are gabbing to Us Weekly. "Ben reached a breaking point," the source says. So Affleck, of course, turned to his estranged wife that he, ahem, allegedly cheated on multiple times. As you do.

"Ben told her everything that was going on with his life," the source says. "After everything they've been through, she is going to continue to be there for him when he needs her." Couldn't be me!

Couldn't be me!

Anyway, Garner — and Affleck's allegedly gross brother Casey — encouraged the 45-year-old to enter an inpatient 30-day program at the end of September. And he's doing A-OK now. "Friends and family have never seen Ben so proactive and serious about wanting to get better."

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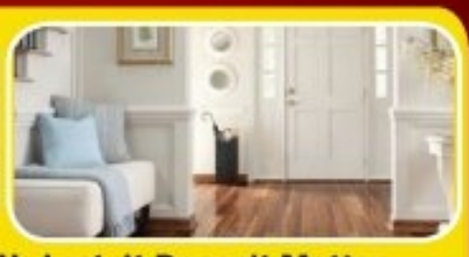
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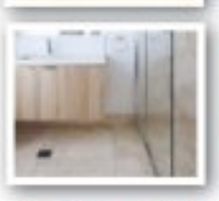
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‘Lady Dynamite’ is back, comedy fans

Maria Bamford and Fred Melamed star in the Netflix comedy, which returns for a second season Nov. 10. NETFLIX

Here’s how to laugh your way through a breakdown.

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We don’t throw around the term “genius” when it comes to Netflix series actors every day here at Metro. So it’s with some gravity we announce that Fred Melamed is (still) the funniest person on television and a master in his field.

His performance as Bruce Ben-Bacharach on “Lady Dynamite” proves he is pee-your-pants hilarious, and he’s elevated by the work of lead actress — and the show’s inspiration — Maria Bamford.

"Usually comedians manufacture a character that's a trade-off of who they are," he says. "But with Maria, it's actually her, and her life as she sees it. I was extremely enamored with the strange combination of things that she is."

For those uninitiated, "Lady Dynamite" follows Bamford's life as a stand-up comedian as she moves back to Los Angeles after spending six months recovering from bipolar disorder. Melamed plays her agent.

"Everyone's aware of Maria's honesty, from her struggles with mental illness to how she navigates the world," shares Melamed. "She's also brilliant. And you couldn't have one without the other. Her sense of humor is extremely, extremely sharp. I put her in the same class with the greatest comedians of all time, Richard Pryor and all that, who use their vulnerability honestly."

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The two performers became friends on the set of a quick-to-be-canceled show called "Benched" and realized they had to collaborate again. When Mitchell Hurwitz, the creator of "Arrested Development," got his hands on "Lady Dynamite," Bamford had only one man in mind for the role of her agent. In fact, they didn't audition anyone else.

"We don't shy away from cynicism, dark things," says Melamed. "This show is often about how dark Hollywood is, and how much a pain-in-the-ass and crazy everything is. But Maria maintains a love for life and people. Which doesn't soften anything, but makes for an unusual comedy."

So what should viewers expect?

"The first season followed what happened in Maria's life, where she had this breakdown, and it was tough for her to come back," Melamed says. "But she did; she came to California and got her career again, and developed friendships and relationships — but it was tough going.

"In the second season she gets a television show, winds up meeting someone and getting married, and it's a happy marriage (with lots of compromises and twists, like any marriage). She deals in a sense with all the things she wanted — but you have to be careful what you wish for."

If you're feeling quirky, looking for a dark comedy, and are prepared to LOL, check out "Lady Dynamite." Season 2 drops on Netflix Nov. 10th.

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"Little Stones" tells the story of four women using art to empower women and girls. ALL PHOTOS PROVIDED

"Love is thicker than water" is a Romeo and Juliet story for the modern age.

things to do

"Family Commitments" examines family and love in a modern city.

The younger, fresher, more independent Philadelphia Jewish Film Festival

A renaissance blends the old and the new for the community.

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Last year's Philadelphia Jewish Film Festival was a huge success, and the narrative has thus continued with this year's run. Director of Public Relations and Marketing Bill Chenevert was enthusiastic to share his thoughts on the "Young and Independent" initiative that's been introduced to this year's festival.

"We see [these films] as wonderful films that have some kind of contemporary edge with modernist aesthetics and sensibilities," Chenevert praised in an interview. The festival opens its doors with the hope of appealing to a wider demographic, and the reception in its first days has been resounding. With well over 500 in attendance opening night, this year has the youthful spirit and the wisdom to be the biggest yet.

Olivia Antsis, PJFF's director, knows that a "festival that dwells only in Holocaust documentaries or Israeli films doesn't move the dial forward," Chenevert added. "It needs to make bold artistic decisions."

We've curated a list of films to be on the look-out for in the remaining run of the festival.

"Family Commitments"

With a quirky soundtrack, remarkable set design and genuine insights into the highs and lows of interfaith romance, "Family Commitments" is an endearing and outrageously fun take on family and love in a modern, multicultural city. The film is part of the Young & Independent selection.
Sunday, Nov. 12, 7 p.m.
The Gershman Y
401 S. Broad St.

"Little Stones"

This deeply moving award-winning documentary highlights four women from across the globe who use art to empower women and girls and battle global gender-based violence.
Monday, Nov. 13, 7 p.m.
Lightbox Film Center at International House
3701 Chestnut St.

"Keep The Change"

This heartfelt and award-winning romance of two young people on the autistic spectrum will undoubtedly be among the most genuine and memorable comedies you'll see in the theater this year. "It has a special place in my heart," Chenevert said. "Both characters and their actors are growing up and living in adult lives on the spectrum." It's an inspiring portrayal of people with disabilities.
Wednesday, Nov. 15, 7 p.m.
National Museum of American Jewish History
101 S. Independence Mall East

"Love Is Thicker Than Water"

Sharing the quirky undertones of the 2009 hit "(500) Days of Summer," "Love Is Thicker Than Water" shines as a Romeo and Juliet story for the modern age with a touch of prickly humor. Despite its charming soundtrack, the narrative isn't afraid to push beyond being subtle, according to Chenevert. Bagels and champagne will be served at 11 a.m., with the film screening at 12:30 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 19, 11 a.m.
The Gershman Y

For more information on the Philadelphia Jewish Film Festival, including tickets and a full roster of films, visit PJFF.org. The festival runs until Sunday, Nov. 19.

"Saving Neta"

This compelling and detail-rich character study follows four women who come into contact with the film's title character, a man named Neta. Through humor, love and hope, "Saving Neta" promises a powerful and moving portrait of family relationships and parenthood in modern life.
Thursday, Nov. 16, 7 p.m.
Ritz East, 125 S. 2nd St.

"The Bloom of Yesterday"

This audacious, genre-bending comedy drama follows an anxiety-ridden Holocaust researcher and his equally erratic intern. "For our older audience goers, especially those committed to Holocaust scholarship, this one might be an eyebrow-raiser," Chenevert cautioned gently. It's a story about a complicated relationship and unabashedly dives into its messy, controversial themes with resolve.
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Eat Like an Insider: Chris Beyer of Milkboy

This former musician now finds inspiration in the kitchen.

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Milkboy's executive chef, Chris Beyer, pursued a career in music prior to making the transition to the food industry, so it's only natural that he'd feel right at home at this celebrated music-meets-food restaurant brand.

"Prior to focusing on a culinary career I had my sights set on music. I found many similarities between the two, in both their artistic in nature and their application within the industry," he says. "Artistically I often try to utilize my musical training, be it in dexterity, rhythm, timing, flavor, and even listening to the frequency of the sizzle to find the sweet spot."

The 34-year-old is originally from Mount Laurel, New Jersey, and has lived in Philly for the past four years. While the three Milkboy locations (two in Philadelphia and one in Maryland) keep him busy, he still makes time to enjoy a great meal. Here are a few of his top picks, which include everything from mussels to fried chicken sandwiches to duck montadito.

Best late-night meal?
Khyber Pass (56 S. 2nd St.). It's on my walk home and always comes through with a great burger and beer. Plus, I played there back in the day, and it's fun to reminisce about how it once was.

Best meal under $10?
Cherry Street Tavern (129 N. 22nd St.). Roast Beef Sandwich. I grew up in South Jersey where there were beef and beer fundraisers seemingly every weekend. For me, Cherry Street serves up nostalgia in sandwich form.

Best hidden foodie gem?
Woodrow's (630 South St.). I have the pleasure of working down the street, so I find myself over there often. You know you've found a good spot when your favorite thing on the menu is the whole menu.

Best place to dine alone?
The back bar at Monk's (264 S. 16th St.). Grab a couple big-boy beers and some mussels in that space, and you are transported.

Place you always take or recommend for out-of-towners?
Vernick (2031 Walnut St.). Like I say when I recommend it, "Just go."

Go-to date spot hands down?
Tinto (114 S. 20th St.). I'm a bit biased as my wife and I shared our first kiss there, but the ambiance and service makes for an intimate shared experience. That sharing stuff aside, I'm probably ordering at least two-12 orders of duck montadito just for myself.

Best place to catch up with friends?
MilkBoy, Chestnut Street (1100 Chestnut St.). Again, maybe I'm biased as I work there (along with MilkBoy South Street and MilkBoy ArtHouse in College Park, Maryland), but it truly is. Whether you're actually meeting someone or not, you show up at MilkBoy, and you're catching up with a friend, usually noshing on a fried chicken sandwich.

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Modern English

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Based on the Spanish original, "Blood Wedding," headed by Hungarian director and choreographer Csaba Horvath, is the story of a young bride who receives a visit from a former lover on her wedding day — sparking a family feud when they run away together. Productions run through Nov. 19, but stop by this Thursday for a special behind-the-scenes chat with the artistic team.
Nov. 9, 7:30 p.m. The Wilma Theater, 265 S. Broad St.
wilmatheater.org, $30

This is Not Normal/ The End of Journalism

New York storyteller Mike Daisey brings two 2016 election-themed monologues to Center City that will, for the politically fatigued among us, serve as a primal scream — tackling these bizarre times with wit and brutal truths. "The End of Journalism" covers the rise of Fox News and the impact of social media on politics and culture. **Nov. 9 through Nov. 11**
Suzanne Roberts Theatre
480 S. Broad St.
philadelphiatheatrecompany.org
$25

****ing Men

Joe DiPitero presents a cheeky but heartfelt play about hook-up culture and what sex means to a group of 10 different men. Friday's showing features a one-hour pre-show cabaret.
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It was never going to last forever — the sunshine, the unseasonably warm temperatures, the weekends spent outside with friends and family, cocktails in hand and the smells of BBQ fare in the air. But what if it could? We've found a spot that's easy to access, full of diversions (and tasty libations) and won't require you to pack a passport ... or your fleece. Welcome to Daytona Beach, Florida.

While neighbors scrape their windshields with long-defunct Blockbuster cards or jostle for a spot on the train in rush-hour darkness, picture yourself on 23 miles of beautiful Atlantic coastline. Hard-packed white sandy beaches stretch from Ormond-by-the-Sea to Ponce Inlet, the perimeters of the Daytona area, and thankfully everything is perfectly intact — hurricane season was gentle on this part of Florida (but the state could still use your tourism dollars).

Where are we?

Lesser-known than nearby Orlando (but only an hour away), Daytona proves a great jumping-off point for those eager to soak up the rays in the center of the state, as it's also just an hour north of the Kennedy Space Center and an hour south of St Augustine. And the perfect place to give your park pass a rest and trade your space suit for a swim suit — but be prepared to explore; you can drive from one end of Daytona to the other in 30 minutes, with plenty to experience along the way.

Besides relaxing ...

Start by taking a shine to some local history. The Ponce Inlet Lighthouse is the state's tallest (take the 203 steps to the top to earn your keep), and this month celebrates its 130th year. The operator's cottages have been restored, and a museum that's even of interest to the non-museum set sheds a light (ahem) on some fascinating local history. For more, including upcoming events, visit *ponceinlet.org*

Right next door is the Marine Science Center — a must if kids are in tow this vacay. It has an "Aquatic Touch Pool," and as the name suggests, you're invited to roll up your sleeves and get handsy with stingrays and hermit crabs. There's also a sea turtle hospital on the premises, so prepare to learn about these beautiful creatures (and perhaps meet a few at various stages of their lives, from birth (tiny turtles!) through recovery). Contact details and hours are available at *marinesciencecenter.com*

If a round of golf's more to your liking, you're spoiled for choice. There are nearly two dozen nationally-ranked courses a short drive from wherever you set up camp in Daytona. And have we mentioned the weather's perfect for 18 holes roughly 250 days of the year? There's that, too.

Fast-and-furious fare

If Daytona's auto racing is of interest, make a pilgrimage to Racing's North Turn (also in Ponce Inlet). This historic beachside bar-and-resto sits on the exact location where racing began here in 1936, and races were held right out front until 1958 when Nascar came to town with the Super Speedway. You can transport yourself back to the days when drivers had to battle 2 miles of sandy beach as part of their track by pulling up a deck chair, ordering some blackened fish tacos and a cold beer,

Ponce de Leon lighthouse ISTOCK

and enjoying tons of memorabilia and live music. The website is *racingsnorthturn.com*

Fly-bye

It's surprisingly easy to get to Daytona Beach International Airport from the Northeast: New Yorkers have access to direct flights, and just one connection separates Boston and Philadelphia from sun and sand. If you're adding a visit to Orlando to your itinerary, direct flights await from all three cities.

Time for bed

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The Shire

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The Croft Institute

Lab coats and goggles are advised at this Melbourne laneway bar, modeled after an old-school science lab. Yes, you can drink the stuff inside the beaker. For a further dose of high school nostalgia, visit the bar's other floors and settle into the bleachers surrounding the gymnasium, or dance to a DJ on the basketball court.

Planetarium Bar

See stars no matter how much you drink at Tokyo's dark and cozy Planetarium Bar. An emcee announces the names of constellations making your boozy cosmic journey a tad more educational.

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The Magic Castle

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Wreck Bar

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UPenn hoops: Is it time to contend in the Ivy League?

Steve Donahue's Penn Quakers may have not yet turned the corner when it comes to the conversation of Ivy League basketball contenders. But following five straight losing seasons and nine in the last 10, at least they can see the end of the block.

Coming off four seasons in which they went a combined 38-78, the Quakers went 13-15 in Donahue's second year at the helm, and should've beaten Princeton in the opening round of the first ever Ivy League Tournament at the Palestra. From that squad Penn returns seven of its top eight scorers, including dynamic sophomore A.J. Brodeur, who averaged 13.8 while blocking 66 shots.

Teaming him with Ryan Betley, Jackson Donahue, Darnell Foreman and Caleb Wood gives Donahue a pretty good nucleus to work with. Add Max Rothschild, Devon Goodman and Matt McDonald and the Quakers should have the kind of depth necessary to survive a schedule that begins Saturday at Fairfield, followed by LaSalle at the Palestra on Monday, then sees them take on city and national power Villanova, Dayton and Toledo.

Ivy League slate gets underway Jan. 5 against Princeton, followed the next night by Cornell, where Donahue won three straight Ivy titles, he should have a pretty good idea what to expect. Whether that means the Quakers will be good enough to finally post their first winning season since going 20-13 in 2012 under Jerome Allen remains to be seen.

But after spending so many years buried deep, it looks like Penn can finally see just a hint of light. JON MARKS

Nova hoops: Familiar faces have squad in Final Four discussion

Villanova returns several key players as the 2017-18 season gets set to tip off.

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Villanova's 2017-18 season starts against Columbia this weekend at the Wells Fargo Center. GETTY IMAGES

All Josh Hart, Kris Jenkins and Darryl Reynolds did was go a remarkable 129-17 during their four years at Villanova, win a National championship and go a perfect 16-0 mark in Big Five play. But now they're gone, leaving Jay Wright to pick up the pieces along the Main Line.

Don't cry for him, though, because it's not exactly as if the Wildcats' cupboard has been left bare. In fact, following seasons with 29-, 33-, 35- and 33-win seasons, these Cats may wind up right around the same exclusive neighborhood.

That gives you an idea of the kind of depth Wright and company are expected to have this year, beginning Friday when they take on Columbia. That will be at the Wells Fargo Center, which will serve as their home court this season.

But when you can lose an All-America and NBA first-round draft choice in Hart, an NCAA championship game hero in Jenkins and a solid defender and rebounder in Reynolds and not really feel it, that's a statement in itself. Of course, when you still have preseason All-America Jalen Brunson, multitalented wing player Mikal Bridges, rugged big man Eric Paschall, high flying Donte DiVincenzo, a finally healthy Phil Booth plus highly regarded power forward Omari Spellman to pick up the slack, no wonder Nova is again considered the team to beat in the Big East, not to mention the city.

The way Wright operates, though, he'll make sure they bury their press clippings and top 10 national ranking and simply focus on playing what they call "Villanova basketball." If anything he knows this year's team has more depth than in recent years.

"Last year we really only had seven guys," said Wright, who'll receive the prestigious John Wooden Legends of Coaching Award April 6. "We couldn't play our usual fast tempo aggressive play due to our limited depth. But our depth this year will give us the chance to press more the way we want to, player faster like we want to, and lets us be more aggressive on defense."

Losing the firepower Hart and Jenkins provided means defense figures to be even more important for these Cats, who've also lost their leading shot blocker in Reynolds. They're eager for the challenge.

"We're really long and athletic and we play really good defense," said Bridges, whom many are projecting to join Brunson as 'Nova's next candidates for the NBA. "But with some young guys coming in and new guys playing we just really have to focus on getting our chemistry down on the court, especially on defense. We don't pay any attention to all that other stuff. All we focus on is the other guys on this team and our mission."

The rest will take care of itself, though Booth, who missed all but three games last season with injuries, is just happy to be back.

"I'm 100 percent healthy," said the versatile swingman. "I'm getting my athleticism and my rhythm back. I feel comfortable again. It feels good to be playing out there with no pain and worrying about the knee. Sitting out for a year you miss the game. It's definitely something I would not want to do again, so it's a lot of fun to be back out there."

Fun is something generally associated with Villanova opponents, who've seen the Wildcats have their way for the most part the last four years. That may change a bit this year, as Wright adjusts to playing without his departed stars. But probably not for long.

"There's going to be a lot of attention on Jalen, Mikal and especially Phil coming off an injury last year," said 3-point specialist DiVincenzo, whose tip-in at the buzzer beat Virginia last year. "So we have a ton of weapons and should be very balanced in scoring. I think we'll be ready."

To the dismay of everybody else, no matter who's gone through the years, the Wildcats usually are.

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Flyers may get reinforcements

The Flyers are back in action Thursday at home against Chicago. GETTY IMAGES

The Flyers welcomed their five-day break this week after capping off a taxing stretch of seven games in 12 days. It has allowed them to take a much-needed breather, get in some valuable practice time and heal up from the wear and tear of the span, which the Flyers completed 2-3-2.

"A little time off will be good for us – not just physical but mentally," captain Claude Giroux said following a 5-4 overtime loss on Saturday against the Avalanche. "When we come back to work, we need to keep doing what we're doing."

They return to the ice on Thursday to host the Blackhawks, who dealt them a 3-0 loss last Wednesday, and then the struggling Wild on Saturday. When the season resumes, their lineup will likely look different.

Defenseman Shayne Gostisbehere and rookie center Nolan Patrick, who missed the Blackhawks game due to injuries, and defenseman Radko Gudas, who left it in the first period, may all be available.

Gostisbehere, who sat out for three games with an upper-body injury, already made it back on Sunday and didn't appear to miss a beat. He played over 26 minutes and led the team in shot attempts with 11.

"I felt good and my legs felt good," Gostisbehere said afterward. "I just need to clean up some things and get back to normal."

Gudas, who Gostisbehere called the team's "heart and soul of the defense" could be close to joining his teammates after missing two games with concussion-like symptoms following an elbow to the head from Brandon Saad. He returned to practice on Tuesday and is itching to receive the green light from the team's medical staff.

"I'm trying to get back into it," he told reporters following practice Tuesday. "I hate watching hockey, especially when my team is playing. That's the toughest [part of sitting out] for me."

Patrick, out for the last six games since suffering a head injury against the Ducks on Oct. 24 is listed as day-to-day. That has been his status for the last couple of weeks.

Regardless of the reinforcements the team gets back this week, the Flyers understand they need to flip the switch back on again against one of their Western Conference arch nemesis.

"We have to come back on Thursday and be sharp," Jakub Voracek said. "Sometimes the layoffs can hurt a team. We have a few banged up bodies. It is going to help us hopefully a little bit. We got to get some guys back and hopefully we are going to be sharp on Thursday." EVAN MACY

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Public Hearing Notice

The **Committee on Streets and Services** of the Council of the City of Philadelphia will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, November 14, 2017**, at **1:00 PM**, in **Room 400, City Hall,** to hear testimony on the following items:

170363 An Ordinance establishing a no truck parking regulation on the 1900 block of North 76th Street between Overbrook Avenue and City Avenue, both sides.

170713 An Ordinance authorizing 2601 Pennsylvania Avenue Condo Association, ("Owner") to install, own and maintain a sign encroachment at 2601 Pennsylvania Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19130 ("Property"), under certain terms and conditions.

170723 An Ordinance authorizing Germantown Special Services District, ("Owner") to install, own and maintain various bollard encroachments at 57 W. Maplewood Mall, Philadelphia, PA 19144 ("Property"), under certain terms and conditions.

170820 An Ordinance to amend Title 11 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Streets," by revising certain provisions of Chapter 11-600, entitled "Construction, Encroachments, and Projections Over, On, and Under Streets," to amend the encroachment regulations for signage, all under certain terms and conditions.

170823 An Ordinance authorizing the relocation of the southerly curbline of Carpenter Street, from Broad Street to Fifteenth Street on City Plan No. 15-S, a variable distance southwardly, so as to widen the cartway of said Carpenter Street, authorizing the plotting on said City Plan of an area for public pedestrian use extending along the southerly side of Carpenter Street, from Broad Street to Fifteenth Street, and authorizing acceptance of the grant to the City of the said area for public pedestrian use, under certain terms and conditions.

170824 An Ordinance authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 359 by relocating the southwesterly houseline and curbline of Byberry Road, from The Roosevelt Boulevard to a point northwestwardly therefrom, and plotting on the City Plan a right-of-way for sewer and drainage purposes, contiguous with the northwesterly side of The Roosevelt Boulevard and extending from Byberry Road southwestwardly to a right-of-way for drainage purposes, all under certain terms and conditions, including the dedication to the City of the bed of the widened portion of Byberry Road being placed on the City Plan.

170825 An Ordinance amending Section 2 of an Ordinance (Bill No. 130355) approved June 17, 2013, entitled "An Ordinance authorizing the plotting upon a portion of City Plan No. 58 of a two feet wide area for public pedestrian use extending along the southerly side of Pearl Street, from Tenth Street to a point approximately one-hundred thirty-eight feet westwardly therefrom, and the relocation of the curblines of Pearl Street, from Tenth Street to a point approximately one-hundred thirty-eight feet westwardly therefrom, so as to widen the cartway of said PearlStreet, and authorizing the acceptance of the grant to the City of the said area for public pedestrian use, all under certain terms and conditions," by extending the period for compliance with the terms and conditions stated therein.

170826 An Ordinance revising parking restrictions on Maplewood Avenue, between Greene Street and Wayne Avenue.

170850 An Ordinance authorizing Ralston Center, ("Owner") to install, own and maintain bench encroachments on Spring Garden Street, Brown Street, N. 37th Street, N. 35th Street, and N. 34th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104 ("Property"), under certain terms and conditions.

170851 An Ordinance authorizing and directing the changing of the name of Convention Avenue, from Health Sciences Drive to South Street, to Health Sciences Drive, under certain terms and conditions.

170855 An Ordinance authorizing Passyunk Avenue Revitalization Corporation, ("Owner") to install, own and maintain various planter and bike rack encroachments on Passyunk Avenue, S. 12th Street, Morris Street and Watkins Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147 ("Property"), under certain terms and conditions.

170895 An Ordinance establishing parking regulations on: the 4700 block of Locust Street; the 4700 block of Spruce Street; and the 200 block of S. 47th Street.

170896 An Ordinance establishing parking regulations on: the 300 block of N. 36th Street; the 300 block of N. 35th Street; and the 3500 block of Powelton Avenue.

170905 An Ordinance amending Section 9-203 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Street Vendors," by prohibiting street vending on certain portions of Olney avenue and creating a special street vending district on North Twentieth street between West Clarkson avenue and Belfield avenue, all under certain terms and conditions.

170961 An Ordinance authorizing The Bagel Place Shop LLC., ("Owner") to install, own and maintain an open air sidewalk café at 404 Queen Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147 ("Property"), under certain terms and conditions.

170729 Resolution calling for the City Council Committee on Streets and Services to hold hearings investigating the feasibility of opening the outer lanes of the Benjamin Franklin Parkway to install more flags and increase the number of countries that are represented.

Immediately following the public hearing, a meeting of the Committee on Streets and Services, open to the public, will be held to consider the action to be taken on the above listed items.

Copies of the foregoing items are available in the Office of the Chief Clerk of the Council, Room 402, City Hall.

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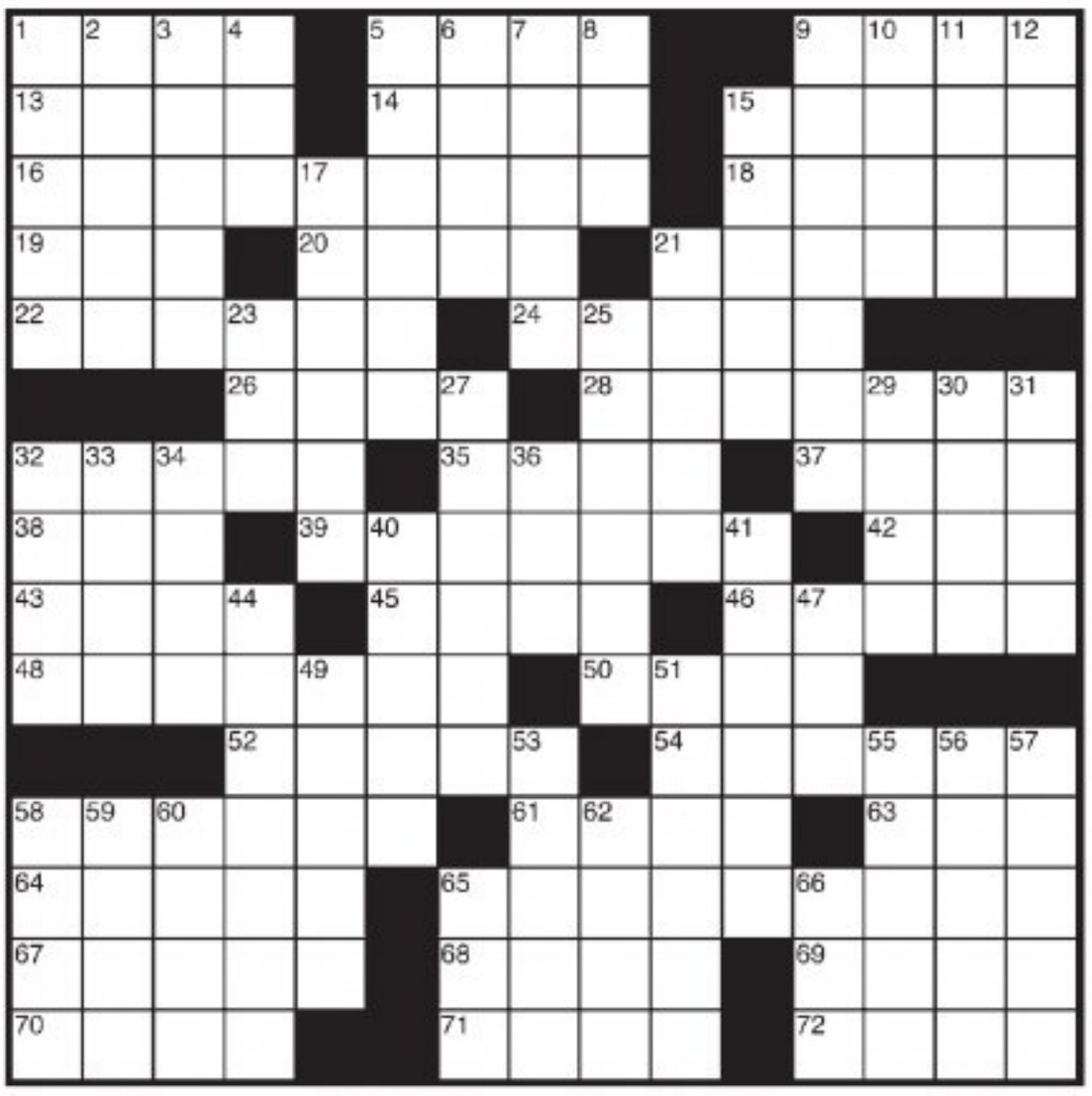

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Aries You need a break. Whether you take a staycation or sign up for a class that will help ease stress, it will encourage you to relax and let life unfold naturally.

Taurus Someone will not be happy with the way things are going at home or work. Don't let your emotions take the reins and lead to regret. Remain calm and do your best.

Gemini Following your emotions will lead to temptation and misrepresentation. Be careful not to promise something you won't actually carry out. Be willing to deliver.

Cancer Money problems will surface if you are extravagant or you can't say no to someone asking for too much. Trying to buy someone's affection will not help you gain respect.

Leo You'll tend to overreact, be indulgent and end up in an emotional situation you will regret. Use your smarts to avoid trouble. Exercise and proper eating are encouraged.

Virgo Avoid being impulsive when dealing with investments or emotional matters. Take time to figure out the best way to advance. You want to make money, not lose it.

Libra Don't let impulse get the better of you. When in doubt, take a step back and think about the probable outcome of your actions. Don't let an assumption ruin a relationship.

Scorpio Emotions will be difficult to control. Avoid a trap set by one of your peers. If you want to get things done, work alone. Don't venture too far from home.

Sagittarius Financial concerns will add to your stress and could affect your health if you aren't careful when handling settlements, investments or joint funds.

Capricorn A problem will crop up if you let a sensitive issue metastasize. Do your best to contain your emotions and deal with matters professionally and without hesitation.

Aquarius Emotional spending, overreacting and getting involved in indulgent behavior won't resolve matters. Do what needs to be done and move on.

Pisces Plan a day trip or get out and shop for someone you love. You'll find out something about someone close to you if you have lunch with an old friend. EUGENIA LAST

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